IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL	§	No. 12-md-2323 (AB)
LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION	§	` ,
INJURY LITIGATION	§	MDL No. 2323
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	§	SHORT FORM COMPLAINT
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:	§	
	§	IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL
Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long-	§	LEAGUE PLAYERS'
Form Complaint and	§	CONCUSSION INJURY
•	§	LITIGATION
RAFFERTY, ET AL	§	
,	§	
V.	§	
	§	
THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE	§	
NO. 4:12-cy-02302	§	
USDC, EDPA. 2:12-cv-04741	§	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

SHORT FORM COMPLAINT

- 1. Plaintiff(s), <u>Jerry Azumah</u> and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse)
 _______, bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the
 matter entitled IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION
 INJURY LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) is/are filing this Short Form Complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse), incorporate(s) by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form

Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint.

4.	[Fill in if applicable] P	laintiff is filing this c	ase in a represe	entative capacity
as the	of	, havii	ng been duly ap	opointed as the
	By the	Court of		(Cross out
Sentence be	low if not applicable.)	Copies of the Let	ters of Admir	nistration/Letters
Testamentar	y for a wrongful death cl	aim are annexed her	eto if such Let	ters are required
for the com	mencement of such a cla	im by the Probate,	Surrogate or o	other appropriate
court of the j	urisdiction of the deceder	nt.		
5.	Plaintiff, Jerry Az	<u>zumah</u> is a	resident a	nd citizen of
Chica	ago, Illinois	and claims da	amages as set f	orth below.
6.	[Fill in if applicable] P	laintiff's spouse,		, is a
resident and	citizen of	and claims d	amages as a r	result of loss of
consortium p	proximately caused by the	harm suffered by he	er Plaintiff husb	oand/decedent.
7.	On information and be	lief, the Plaintiff (or	decedent) sust	tained repetitive,
traumatic su	ab-concussive and/or cor	ncussive head impac	ets during NF	L games and/or
practices.	On information and bel	ief, Plaintiff suffers	(or decedent	suffered) from

8. [Fill in if applicable] The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter was filed in the USDC, Southern District of Texas, Houston Division. If the case is

symptoms of brain injury caused by the repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or

concussive head impacts the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained during NFL games and/or

practices. On information and belief, the Plaintiff's (or decedent's) symptoms arise from

injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time.

remanded, it should be remanded to the <u>USDC</u>, <u>Southern District of Texas</u>, <u>Houston Division</u>.

9.	Plaintiff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]:
	✓ Injury to Herself/Himself;
	Injury to the Person Represented;
	Wrongful Death;
	Survivorship Action;
	✓ Economic Loss;
	Loss of Services;
	Loss of Consortium.
10.	[Fill in if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband,
	, Plaintiff's Spouse,, suffers from a
loss of consor	tium, including the following injuries:
	loss of marital services;
	loss of companionship, affection or society;
	loss of support; and
	monetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to
expend for the	e heath care and personal care of her husband.
11.	[Check if applicable] \checkmark Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable)
reserve(s) the	right to object to federal jurisdiction.

DEFENDANTS

12. Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) bring(s) this case against the following Defendants in this action [check all that apply]:

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✓ National Football League;
✓ NFL Properties, LLC;
✓ Riddell, Inc.;
✓ All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.);
✓ Riddell Sports Group, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, LLC
✓ EB Sports Corporation;
✓ RBG Holdings Corporation.
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- 13. [Check where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above, the claims asserted are: ✓ design defect; ✓ informational defect; __manufacturing defect.
- 14. [Check if applicable] ✓ The Plaintiff (or decedent) wore one or more helmets designed and/or manufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff (or decedent) played in the NFL and/or AFL.
- 15. Plaintiff played in [check if applicable) ✓ the National Football League("NFL") and/or in [check if applicable] __the American Football League ("AFL") during

1999 to 2005 for the following teams: Chicago Bears.

CAUSES OF ACTION

16.	Plaintiff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master
Administrati	ve Long-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by
Reference in	those Counts [check all that apply]:
	✓ Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief – Liability (Against the NFL);
	✓ Count II (Medical Monitoring [Against the NFL]);
	Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count IV (Fraudulent Concealment [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count V (Fraud [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation [Against the NFL]);
	Count VII Negligence Pre-1968 Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 [Against the NFL]);
	_Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count X (Negligence Post-1994 [Against the NFL]);
	Count XI (Loss of Consortium [Against the NFL and Riddell
	Defendants]);
	✓ Count XII (Negligent Hiring [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count XIII (Negligent Retention [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect [Against the
	Riddell Defendants]);
	Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect [Against the
	Riddell Defendants]);

✓ Count XVI (Failure to Warn [Against the Riddell Defendants]);

	✓ Count XVII (Negligence [Against the Riddell Defendants]);
	✓ Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment [Against
	the NFL Defendants]).
17.	Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or
attach]:	
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PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Wherefore, Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable), pray(s) for judgment as follows:

- A. An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at trial;
- B. For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
- C. For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this action;
- D. For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form of equitable relief;
- E. For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;
- F. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and

G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

JURY DEMANDED

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff(s) hereby demand(s) a trial by jury.

Respectfully submitted,

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